Report of Program Accreditation Recommendations August 4, 2009

Overview

This report consists of recommendations made about the initial accreditation of professional preparation programs based upon institutional responses to program standards.

(Note: It is possible that there will be additional recommendations brought to the COA in an infolder item, since staff and review panel members are continuing their work on program proposals.)

Staff Recommendation - Panel Review

That the Committee on Accreditation grant initial accreditation to the following preparation program(s), as recommended by the appropriate reviewers.

Each institution identified below has responded fully and appropriately to the adopted standards and preconditions by preparing a program proposal that describes how each standard and precondition is met and that includes appropriate supporting evidence. The appropriate reviewers following the procedures adopted by the Committee on Accreditation have read each program proposal. Each program has been judged to meet all standards and preconditions and is recommended for initial accreditation.

Program of California Teachers of English Learners

University of California, Berkeley CTEL Program

In this program candidates will receive an orientation and 5 courses through the UC Berkeley Extension Program. Coursework includes Culture and Inclusion, Language and Language Development, Assessment of English Learners, and Foundations and Methods of ELD and SDAIE. A CTEL Portfolio course at the beginning of the program provides candidates with a clear understanding of the role of each course in reaching program objectives. Each course culminates with a final project that is included in the CTEL portfolio providing both formative and summative assessment of candidates' mastery of material. The CTEL portfolio serves as evidence of candidate competence for the CTEL certificate.

The UC Berkeley CTEL program was on the agenda of the June 2009 COA meeting. There was a motion to approve the program which did not pass. The COA requested that the item be brought back to the August meeting with additional information. At this time staff is still gathering information and will provide information at the August 2009 meeting.